Dear Allison,

Regarding the Proposed Bill 5259 and Proposed Bill 5142

Please enter my comments on record. I am sorry, I am not able to attend.

I highly oppose these bills. This seems unconstitutional. Why should the public be notified and approve of where group homes are opened.

That would be like saying that all Glant people or Dwarfs or families with members in wheelchairs must notify and ask permission from the world when they

Plan to move to a new location.

The people that live in group homes are finally living in the real world. They are merely people that have great assets and great deficits.

Group homes are very well supervised to ensure that the members of the household are provided with the assistance they need,

And also to ensure that they adapt to the social settings of the world in an appropriate manner.

I would be highly insulted if I had to declare notice to the world, where my handlcap son chose to live before he could lease or own a property.

We are actually very fortunate that our son can live independently with help coming to the home when he needs it.

He thrives on his independence and is a harmless soul. However, the neighbors in the condo association were less than

Friendly when we purchased a condo for him.

Declaring notice of a group home location, merely encourages discrimination. It does not allow for disabled people their privacy and freedoms already allowed by law.

If you were to pass this bill, the next thing you would be legislating would be notice to the world and immediate neighbors, when any handicap buyer

Intended to buy. This is unthinkable, and seems to contradict the discrimination laws that we currently have in place to make all housing acceptable to All people.

Notice of a group home, merely encourages discrimination of disabled people, and should not be done.

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